(2) No. F. 13/21/2002/Home (P). Estt./2201-04 dated the 7th May, 2003, publishing the Delhi Police (Appointment and Recruitment) (Amendment) Rules, 2003. [Placed in Library. *See* No. L.T. - 7977/03]

Notification of the Ministry of Communications and Information Technology

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI ASHOK PRADHAN) : Madam, I beg to lay on the Table; under section 37 of the Telecom Regulatory Authority of India Act, 1997, a copy (in English and Hindi) of the Ministry of Communications and Information Technology (Department of Telecommunications) Notification No. 311-1/2003-Econ. dated the 16th June, 2003, publishing the Telecommunication Interconnection Usage Charges (IUC) (Second Amendment) Regulations, 2003, together with an Explanatory Memorandum. [Placed in Library. *See* No. L.T. - 7935/03]

Notification of the Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI SUBHASH MAHARIA): Madam, on behalf of Shri V. Sreenivasa Prasad, I lay on the Table, under sub-section (6) of section 3 of the Essential Commodities Act, 1955, a copy (in English and Hindi) of the Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution (Department of Food and Public Distribution) Notification G.S.R. 21 (E)/Ess. Comm./Sugar dated the 10"'. January, 2003, publishing the Sugar (Price Determination for 2002-2003 Production) Order, 2003. [Placed in Library. *See* No. L.T. - 8014/03]

Report and Accounts (2001-2002) of the Software Technology Parks of India, New Delhi and related papers

THE MINISTER OF STATE' IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI SU. THIRUNAVUKKARASAR) : Madam, I lay on the Table a copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following papers:

(a) Annual Report and Accounts of the Software Technology Parks of India, New Delhi, for the year 2001-2002, together with the Auditor's Report on the Accounts.

(b) Review by Government on the working of the above Technology Parks.

(c) Statement giving reasons for the delay in laying the papers mentioned at (a) above. [Placed in Library. *See* No. L.T. - 7940/03]

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE WELFARE OF SCHEDULED CASTES AND SCHEDULED TRIBES

PROF R.B.S. VARMA (Uttar Pradesh) : Madam, I beg to lay on the Table a copy (in English and Hindi) of Twenty-sixth Report of the Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Thirteenth Lok Sabha) including minutes (in English and Hindi) of the sitting of the Committee relating thereto on Ministry of Defence on Action taken by the Government on the recommendations contained in their Seventeenth Report (Thirteenth Lok Sabha) Military Participation Ratio of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in Defence Services Policy and Perspective.

STATEMENTS OF THE DEPARTMENT-RELATED PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS

DR. A. K. PATEL (Gujarat): Madam, I lay on the Table a copy each (in English and Hindi). of the Statements showing action taken by the Government on the recommendations contained in Chapter I and final action taken replies on recommendations contained in Chapter-V of the Twelfth Report of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways (2002) regarding action taken by the Government ' on the recommendations contained in their Tenth Report (Thirteenth Lok Sabha) on Demands for Grants 2002-03 of the Ministry of Railways.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: I have an announcement to make. Hon. Chairman has received a letter from Ms. Lata Mangeshkar stating that she is unable to attend the House due to ill-health and certain pressing commitments. She has, therefore, requested for the grant of leave of absence for the current session, the 199th of the Rajya Sabha, that she have the permission of the House for remaining absent from all the sittings of the current session.